

THE BIG GUN

It Weighs in the Neighborhood of Thirty Tons

And Fires Nearly Six Hundred Pounds of Metal Nine Miles.

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New York, Aug. 15.—The first official test of the ten-inch disappearing pneumatic gun carriage was made at the United States Ordnance proving grounds at Sandy Hook.

The tests were made under the supervision of the board of ordnance and fortifications. They were directed by Capt. Frank Heath, in charge of the proving grounds, assisted by Lieut. Wheeler, of the ordnance department.

At exactly 11:30 the first shot was fired. The gun is a breech-loader of high power, is twenty-nine feet in length, weighs thirty tons and fires a projectile weighing 575 pounds. The gun is connected with the carriage by two powerful arms, and when raised to a firing position is at a height of eight feet above the carriage. To load and make ready for firing requires only five minutes. It is all done by compressed air manipulated by one man. The projectile was placed on a loading tray, and by the turning of a small wheel the tray was raised to the breech of the gun and the projectile was rammed home by a telescopic rammer. Two sacks of powder followed the projectile into the breech.

The sacks contained 180 pounds. The elevation was three degrees. The time required to bring the gun down to the buffers was one minute and fifteen seconds. The second shot was fired at three minutes of 12 o'clock at an elevation of twenty degrees. The projectile contained 250 pounds of powder, a service charge such as is used in time of war.

At an elevation of twenty degrees the projectile splashed the sea nine miles away. When the gun recoiled it came within two inches of the buffers, and in less than ten seconds had sunk gently on the buffers into loading position. It is with a charge like this that the carriage is supposed to work perfectly. This was the highest elevation fired with any carriage with the new high-power gun in this country. The third shot was fired at an elevation of three degrees, and the projectile contained 100 pounds of powder. The recoil brought the gun within eighteen inches of the buffers, and the time required to get it in loading position was two minutes and forty-five seconds.

The fourth shot was at an elevation of five degrees and the recoil was seven inches above the buffer. Time required to bring the gun into position, one minute. The sixth shot, at an elevation of fifteen degrees, and the gun recoiled within three inches of the buffers and returned to the firing position in twelve inches. Time required to get the gun into loading position, one minute and fifteen seconds. The seventh shot was fired at an elevation of ten degrees with 210 pounds of powder.

Eighth shot, two hundred and twenty pounds of powder, at an elevation of ten degrees. The time required to get the gun into position was twenty seconds. The gun recoiled within three inches of the buffers, and the time required to get it into loading position was twenty seconds.

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The Weather. Washington, Aug. 15.—For Ohio, Fair, probably preceded by showers at lake stations; slightly warmer; winds shifting to southerly.

For Indiana and Illinois—Fair, preceded by showers in northern portion; warmer in Indiana; variable winds.

For Minnesota—Showers; warmer; south winds.

Beffald, N. Y., Aug. 15.—At 3 o'clock Monday morning word was received that a train of forty-two cars on the Erie road, filled with passengers, had been wrecked by a mile east of William street, was burning fiercely, with no protection.

Five Thousand Deaths. St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—The cholera returns for the first time in the past week a large increase in the number of new cases as well as in the mortality. There are reported 9,177 new cases and 2,000 deaths.

FIRST YEAR.

Personal Points

If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a trip, please drop us a note to that effect.

Ed. Hill, Jr., has gone to Cincinnati.

Ed. Swisher of Ripley spent yesterday in this city.

J. D. Dye and wife returned from Denver this morning.

Albert Pangburn has gone to Ripley to spend part of his vacation.

Mrs. James Crain returned Saturday night from a visit to Vancouver.

Mrs. Amy Murnick of Georgetown is visiting her relatives in this city.

Captain E. W. Fitzgerald of the C. and O. spent yesterday with his family.

Robert C. Ross of Chicago arrived last night on a visit to friends and relatives.

Will Woodworth of Portsmouth, O., spent yesterday with relatives in this city.

Mrs. E. W. Fitzgerald and children returned from a pleasant visit to Mt. Sterling Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Wood of Sharpsburg is visiting her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thier.

Harry P. Taylor of the Kentucky journal and called on The Ledger.

Early Worick, Second Assistant Postmaster General at the Mayville office, spent yesterday in Washington.

Miss Anna Gels has returned from a pleasant visit at Cincinnati. She was accompanied home by Miss Margaret Byrne.

Mrs. Mary C. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Power and daughter, and Mrs. W. D. Power and daughters of this city, accompanied by Miss Anna Gels of Park Hills Camp meeting.

FRANK BAKER shot and killed Reece Logan at Corbin.

CINCINNATI Knights Templars left Denver Saturday night.

DIPHTHERIA is prevalent also in the Eastern part of the country.

STREET cars began running in this city last night at five o'clock.

TOM STEVEN, a carpenter, cut himself severely in the thigh at Milldale.

The price of The Corning Commonwealth will hereafter be one cent per copy.

QUITE a number of Mayville people attended the races at Oakley, Cincinnati, Saturday.

The children of H. C. Owens of the Rectoryville neighborhood are ill from diphtheria.

A LARGE freight engine of the Cincinnati Southern backed into the turntable at Lexington.

The story about another anarchist seeking H. C. Frick's core turn out to be a canard.

NO CHINAMAN has taken out his neutralization papers at Cincinnati for twenty days of thirteen.

RICHARD CROKER, the Tammany Chief, has been engaged in the first steam fire engine used in New York.

R. K. STORY has been appointed Postmaster at Grange City, Fleming county, since T. M. Williams.

A MEMBER of Pennsylvania Knights Templars was injured in a railway accident at Clinton, Ia., Saturday.

AT Owensboro Redmon Smith was given sixteen years in the penitentiary for the killing of Mrs. Lizzie Tracy.

SINCE August 4th 30,000 pensioners have been paid through the Louisville office a sum aggregating about \$300,000.

A FOURTH-class Postoffice has been established at Lost Fork, Whitley county, and John H. Stevens appointed Postmaster.

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MAYSVILLE, KY., MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 1892.

KENTUCKY WEATHER REPORT.

What We May Expect Between This Time and Tomorrow Evening.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

With breezes from the west, with some rain, and a few showers.

And it is safe to say that the weather will be a pleasant surprise.

The above forecasts are made for a period of thirty hours, ending at 11 o'clock tomorrow evening.

THE LOWER END Bums defeated the Fleming City Sports in a score of 35 to 34.

Fogs on the river the last several mornings have delayed steamboat traffic.

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At the Starbuck Fair, Policeman Dale became involved in a quarrel with Bud Booth and the latter shot Dale four times, wounding him instantly. Booth was arrested.

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SATURDAY'S SKIRMISHES

Indicate Formidable Fight On Part of the Opposition to Judge Cole.

The Democratic precinct meetings Saturday were spirited and full of ginger.

The contests all over the county were exciting and in some instances bitter.

The opposition to Judge Cole was more formidable than was supposed and the outcome was somewhat of a surprise.

Four precincts in the county, Mayville No. 1, Chester, Mayfield and Sardis instructed for Judge Cole though he is said to have some supporters among the unregistered delegates.

The two Mayville precincts were a stand off, No. 1 going for Cole nearly two to one and No. 2 going against him, regarding an unregistered delegate.

Georgetown and Fern Lea instructed for Huebner, and Minerva for Wilhoit.

The rest of the precincts, so far as the unregistered delegates were concerned, were instructed by unregistered delegates.

The County Convention this afternoon at the Courthouse promises to be warm and interesting.

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Postal Card Correspondence From the West.

"It is refreshing to know that you are temporarily relieved from contact with a foul-mouthed, Milwaukee would be an architect."

Raschall.

Quite a number were at the Fair Grounds yesterday afternoon to witness a game of ball between the Aberdeen Bums and a picked-up team from Levana, O. It was a one-sided affair, the Aberdeen winning the game by a score of 25 to 4 in six innings.

Higginsport defeated Aberdeen Saturday afternoon on the Aberdeen grounds by a score of 15 to 12.

The Sanitation.

Up to the present time more than half a hundred persons have taken the alcoholic treatment at the Mayville Sanitarium. Out of this number not one who has conscientiously taken the treatment as prescribed until pronounced cured by the physician in charge has fallen of being cured thoroughly.

Nor is there any danger of any serious relapse, as it is fully believed.

The treatment is pure and wholesome, and as simple as it is good.

A Pleasant Evening.

The party given by Miss Etta Hooper at the Beesley place in the West End last week in honor of her guests, Misses Jennie, Nellie and Willie VanPelt of Parkland, was highly enjoyed by those present, who were Misses Kate Merdis, Kittie Thomas, Anna Cain, Bessie Boughner, Lizzie Wernald, Annie Crawford, and Misses Jennie VanPelt, Etta Hooper, Nellie VanPelt, Willie VanPelt, Elmer Hooper and several others.

Misses Merdis, Borden Thomas and Keeler Miller.

Stiles Bess Recovered.

The mare reported as lost by Hayes Thomas and crew and neighborhood turns out to have been stolen off by Benjamin Roberts, who traded her off to T. Archibald of Poplar Plains, Fleming county. The animal was returned to Mr. Thomas Saturday by G. L. Bryant of Kings and his wife, who received the \$30 reward offered.

Roberts at one time lived in the German settlement, and was once in the penitentiary for theft.

A liberal reward will be offered for his capture.

Had Treatment.

T. Augustus Reid, a colored teacher of Paris, engaged Hon. John M. Landon, the colored ex-Congressman from Vir.

Reid, to deliver a lecture at a picnic on that city. The speaker came, was met at the depot by Reid, and taken to the picnic grounds. Reid excused himself, and said he would be back in a few moments, but he never came until sent for by Reid, and then he was taken to the grounds without dinner, and when Reid came back he tried to get out by threatening to leave Reid arrested, and when Reid threatened to arrest him, Langston delivered the address after the money was paid, and also one that night.

Langston is a Kentuckian, but a recent comer from Jamaica.

Two Families.

Sing Lee, a Covington Chinese, tried to be very familiar with Miss Annie Reid of Covington.

The Covington Gazette says: She resides on Eighth street in Covington, and for some time has been nursing the leprosy from her mother to Lee's place, on Madison avenue. It is said that the leprosy is a very contagious disease, and that the other day endeavored to become decidedly familiar with her. Wednesday afternoon, however, she was so much annoyed by the place the girl broke down and began crying, and then told her parents that she was a leprosy case.

Her father, Robert H. Baker, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Road, and hearing of the trouble called on the Covington police, and twenty miles away he had the gentleman with the queue who recovered from the result of the leprosy, and the Covington indignation in the immediate neighborhood over the way the Chinaman has been conducting himself.

A WORD TO THE PEOPLE.

Diphtheria Threatens to Assume an Epidemic Form.—Watch Your Children.

The people of Mayville, especially the parents, do not seem to realize the latest danger. There are no less than thirty children in the city who have been taken with the disease, and there are scattered cases all over the city. Also a number of adults.

It is one of the most contagious and infectious of all diseases, and prompt action must be taken to prevent its spread.

In the first place all the funerals of victims should be held in private, and the one should be present except the immediate family, the Minister and the undertaker, and a rule rigidly enforced in other cities.

Every house where there is a case of diphtheria should be marked by a flag, or some other token, and those having no business there made to keep away.

Children should be kept away from the place where the case is, and should be kept away from the place where the case is, and should be kept away from the place where the case is.

There is a Health Committee of the City Council, and they should take the matter in hand and compel people by their authority to live and act within the bounds of reason, and should be kept away from the place where the case is.

Unless something is done to check its progress, diphtheria will soon become epidemic.

The Ensign Car Shows at Huntington, W. Va., are building a number of flat cars for the Houston and Texas Central Railroad. The cars are all of the same size, and are equipped with the automatic air-brake. They are being built at a cost of \$1,000 each, and are being shipped to Huntington in trains of thirty-four cars each.

SCHITCHMEN

Employed by the Erie and Lehigh Valley Road Strike.

Property Belonging to Company Destroyed by Incendiary Fires.

A Number of Men at Work Assailed and Injured—Some are their sympathies for the strikers—Passenger Train—Switches Turned off and Freight Cars Derailed.

BEFFALD, N. Y., Aug. 15.—There is no further disguising the fact that the strike of the Erie and Lehigh Valley switchmen is a serious matter.

Things began to get on a more serious aspect at 9 o'clock Sunday morning, when a series of incendiary fires broke out simultaneously in the Lehigh Valley yards. Eighteen passenger cars, several filled with wool, cotton, hay and various other merchandise, two passenger cars, two watchmen houses were destroyed. The fire spread to the Lehigh Valley yards, and the men who were doing the strike's work, and a few desultory assaults had occurred.

The water tank adjacent to the coal tracks was smashed and an engine that was taking water there wrecked by a strain of an engine that had been turned loose from the trestle.

A fire was first discovered in the east-bound yard, and then a second in the west-bound yard. The cars destroyed were here a first engine building and two or three freight cars were destroyed. At this time Yardmaster Mead discovered the fire, and immediately sent for the fire engine. The cars destroyed were here a first engine building and two or three freight cars were destroyed.

The yard east of Diogenes street is a great mass of cars of merchandise. It took hours from three carts to reach the flames from the nearest street. The fire spread to the Lehigh Valley yards, and the men who were doing the strike's work, and a few desultory assaults had occurred.

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